MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC.  Emergency Contact:
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SUBSTANCE: TETRAETHYLOORTHOSILICATE

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:
ETHYL SILICATE ((ETO)4SI); ETHYL SILICATE; SILICIC ACID (H4SiO4), TETRAETHYL ESTER;
ETHYL ORTHOSILICATE; SILICON ETHOXIDE; SILICON ETHOXIDE (Si(OET)4); SILICON
TETRAETHOXIDE; SILICON TETRAETHOXIDE (Si(OET)4); TETRAETHOXYLSILANE;
TETRAETHOXYLICOSILICON; TETRAETHYL ORTHOSILICATE; TETRAETHYLOXYLSILANE;
TETRAETHYL SILICATE; DYNASIL A; TEOS; C8H20O4Si; UN 1292; STCC 4910391; MAT09230;
RTECS VV9450000

CHEMICAL FAMILY: esters, carboxylic, aliphatic, silicon

CREATION DATE: Nov 11 1997
REVISION DATE: Dec 11 2008

2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

COMPONENT: TETRAETHYLOORTHOSILICATE
CAS NUMBER: 78-10-4
PERCENTAGE: 100.0

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH=2  FIRE=3  REACTIVITY=1

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW:
COLOR: colorless
PHYSICAL FORM: liquid
ODOR: alcohol odor
MAJOR HEALTH HAZARDS: respiratory tract irritation, skin irritation, eye irritation, central nervous
system depression
PHYSICAL HAZARDS: Flammable liquid and vapor. Vapor may cause flash fire. May react on contact
with water.

**POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS:**

**INHALATION:**
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation, nausea, vomiting, headache, symptoms of drunkenness, lung congestion  
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: lung damage, kidney damage, liver damage  

**SKIN CONTACT:**
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation  
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure  

**EYE CONTACT:**
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: irritation, burns, tearing, blurred vision  
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure  

**INGESTION:**
SHORT TERM EXPOSURE: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, headache  
LONG TERM EXPOSURE: same as effects reported in short term exposure  

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**INHALATION:** If adverse effects occur, remove to uncontaminated area. Give artificial respiration if not breathing. Get immediate medical attention.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Wash skin with soap and water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical attention, if needed. Thoroughly clean and dry contaminated clothing and shoes before reuse.

**EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Then get immediate medical attention.

**INGESTION:** If a large amount is swallowed, get medical attention.

**NOTE TO PHYSICIAN:** For ingestion, consider gastric lavage and activated charcoal slurry.

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**5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

**FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS:** Severe fire hazard. The vapor is heavier than air. Vapors or gases may ignite at distant ignition sources and flash back. Vapor/air mixtures are explosive above flash point.

**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA:** regular dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water, regular foam

Large fires: Use regular foam or flood with fine water spray.

**FIRE FIGHTING:** Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Do not get water inside container. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Stay away from the ends of tanks.
Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety device or any discoloration of tanks due to fire. For tank, rail car or tank truck, evacuation radius: 800 meters (1/2 mile). Do not attempt to extinguish fire unless flow of material can be stopped first. Cool containers with water spray until well after the fire is out. Apply water from a protected location or from a safe distance. Do not get water directly on material. Large fires: Flood with fine water spray. Reduce vapors with water spray. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Stay upwind and keep out of low areas.

FLASH POINT: 99 F (37 C) (CC)
LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: 1.3%
UPPER FLAMMABLE LIMIT: 23%
FLAMMABILITY CLASS (OSHA): IC

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS:
Thermal decomposition or combustion products: oxides of carbon, silica

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

OCCUPATIONAL RELEASE:
Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Do not touch spilled material. Stop leak if possible without personal risk. Reduce vapors with water spray. Do not get water inside container. Small spills: Absorb with sand or other non-combustible material. Collect spilled material in appropriate container for disposal. Large spills: Dike for later disposal. Remove sources of ignition. Keep unnecessary people away, isolate hazard area and deny entry.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE


8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE LIMITS:
TETRAETHYLORTHOSILICATE: 
ETHYL SILICATE: 
100 ppm (850 mg/m3) OSHA TWA
10 ppm (85 mg/m3) OSHA TWA (vacated by 58 FR 35338, June 30, 1993)
10 ppm ACGIH TWA
10 ppm (85 mg/m3) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s)

ETHYL ALCOHOL (ETHANOL): 
1000 ppm (1900 mg/m3) OSHA TWA
1000 ppm ACGIH TWA
1000 ppm (1900 mg/m³) NIOSH recommended TWA 10 hour(s)

**VENTILATION:** Ventilation equipment should be explosion-resistant if explosive concentrations of material are present. Provide local exhaust ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

**EYE PROTECTION:** Wear splash resistant safety goggles with a faceshield. Provide an emergency eye wash fountain and quick drench shower in the immediate work area.

**CLOTHING:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant clothing.

**GLOVES:** Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves.

**PROTECTIVE MATERIAL TYPES:** neoprene, Viton(R)

**RESPIRATOR:** The following respirators and maximum use concentrations are drawn from NIOSH and/or OSHA.

- **100 ppm**
  Any supplied-air respirator.

- **250 ppm**
  Any supplied-air respirator operated in a continuous-flow mode.

- **500 ppm**
  Any self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece.
  Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece.

- **700 ppm**
  Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.
  Emergency or planned entry into unknown concentrations or IDLH conditions -
  Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.
  Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus operated in pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

**Escape** -
Any air-purifying full-facepiece respirator (gas mask) with a chin-style, front-mounted or back-mounted organic vapor canister.
Any appropriate escape-type, self-contained breathing apparatus.
Under conditions of frequent use or heavy exposure, respiratory protection may be needed.
Respiratory protection is ranked in order from minimum to maximum.
Consider warning properties before use.
Any chemical cartridge respirator with organic vapor cartridge(s).
Any chemical cartridge respirator with a full facepiece and organic vapor cartridge(s).
Any air-purifying respirator with a full facepiece and an organic vapor canister.

**For Unknown Concentrations or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health** -
Any supplied-air respirator with a full facepiece that is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode in combination with an auxiliary self-contained breathing apparatus operated in pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.
Any self-contained breathing apparatus that has a full facepiece and is operated in a pressure-demand or other positive-pressure mode.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL STATE: liquid
COLOR: colorless
ODOR: alcohol odor
MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 208.33
MOLECULAR FORMULA: (C2-H5)4-SI-O4
BOILING POINT: 329-336 F (165-169 C)
FREEZING POINT: -123 to -107 F (-86 to -77 C)
VAPOR PRESSURE: 2 mmHg @ 20 C
VAPOR DENSITY (air=1): 7.2
SPECIFIC GRAVITY (water=1): 0.920-0.950
WATER SOLUBILITY: decomposes
PH: Not available
VOLATILITY: 99.9%
ODOR THRESHOLD: 85 ppm
EVAPORATION RATE: 0.3 (butyl acetate=1)
VISCOSITY: 0.0179 cP @ 20 C
COEFFICIENT OF WATER/OIL DISTRIBUTION: Not available
SOLVENT SOLUBILITY:
Soluble: alcohol, ether
Slightly Soluble: benzene

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY: Contact with water or moist air may form flammable and/or toxic gases or vapors.
CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Avoid heat, flames, sparks and other sources of ignition. Minimize contact with material. Keep out of water supplies and sewers.
INCOMPATIBILITIES: acids, bases, oxidizing materials, combustible materials
HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION:
Thermal decomposition or combustion products: oxides of carbon, silica
Thermal decomposition products: alcohols, silicon
POLYMERIZATION: Will not polymerize.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION
TETRAETHYLOORTHOSILICATE:
IRRITATION DATA: 3000 ppm eyes-human; 500 mg/24 hour(s) skin-rabbit moderate; 100 mg eyes-rabbit mild; 500 mg/24 hour(s) eyes-rabbit mild; 2500 ppm/2 hour(s) eyes-guinea pig severe
TOXICITY DATA: 30 gm/m3 inhalation-mouse LC50; 6300 ul/kg skin-rabbit LD50; 6270 mg/kg oral-rat LD50
LOCAL EFFECTS:
Irritant: inhalation, skin, eye
ACUTE TOXICITY LEVEL:
Moderately Toxic: inhalation
Slightly Toxic: dermal absorption, ingestion
TARGET ORGANS: central nervous system
MEDICAL CONDITIONS AGGRAVATED BY EXPOSURE: blood system disorders, eye disorders, kidney disorders, liver disorders, respiratory disorders, skin disorders and allergies

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

ECOTOXICITY DATA:
INVERTEBRATE TOXICITY: 4000 ug/L 15 month(s) LETH (Mortality) Water flea (Daphnia magna)
ALGAL TOXICITY: 1000 ug/L 30 month(s) LETH (Mortality) Green algae (Chlorella vulgaris)

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Subject to disposal regulations: U.S. EPA 40 CFR 262. Hazardous Waste Number(s): D001. Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. DOT 49 CFR 172.101:
PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Tetraethyl silicate
ID NUMBER: UN1292
HAZARD CLASS OR DIVISION: 3
PACKING GROUP: III
LABELING REQUIREMENTS: 3

CANADIAN TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS:
SHIPPING NAME: Tetraethyl silicate
UN NUMBER: UN1292
CLASS: 3
PACKING GROUP/CATEGORY: III
15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**U.S. REGULATIONS:**
CERCLA SECTIONS 102a/103 HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (40 CFR 302.4): Not regulated.


SARA TITLE III SARA SECTIONS 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIES (40 CFR 370 Subparts B and C):
ACUTE: Yes
CHRONIC: No
FIRE: Yes
REACTIVE: Yes
SUDDEN RELEASE: No


**STATE REGULATIONS:**
California Proposition 65: Not regulated.

**CANADIAN REGULATIONS:**
WHMIS CLASSIFICATION: Not determined.

**NATIONAL INVENTORY STATUS:**
U.S. INVENTORY (TSCA): Listed on inventory.

TSCA 12(b) EXPORT NOTIFICATION: Not listed.

CANADA INVENTORY (DSL/NDSL): Not determined.

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